

REMARKS

Claims 1, 3, 4, 6-11, 13-15, 17, 18, 20, 29, 31, 32, 34, 43, 45, 46 and 48 remain pending in the application and have been allowed.

Claims 15 and 29 are proposed to be amended herein to maintain consistent use of the term information processing apparatus. The changes are not proposed to be made for any reasons related to patentability.

It is respectfully submitted that the proposed amendment does not add new matter and does not affect the allowability of the application. The need for the proposed change was only recently discovered and its entry would not place undue burden on the Patent and Trademark Office.

Favorable consideration and entry hereof are earnestly solicited.

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